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Urban District Council of Filey



Report
of the
Medical Officer
of Health
and
Public Health
Inspector

For the Year
1968

Urban District Council of Fife



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HEALTH COMMITTEE

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R. SCHOFIELD, M.D., D.C.H., D.P.H.

Public Health Inspector:

J. STOREY, F.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.

Health Office,
Oxford Street,
BRIDLINGTON.

To the Chairman and Councillors,
Urban District of Filey.

September, 1969.

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting the Annual Report for 1968.

The Registrar General's figures for the year indicated a mid-year population of 5,140, an increase of 30 compared with last year.

During the year there were 59 live births and 87 deaths compared with 65 births and 78 deaths in 1967. The adjusted birth rate of 15.5 per thousand population is slightly below the national birth rate. The adjusted death rate of 12.0 per thousand population is very close to the national death rate. The high crude death rate in Filey (16.9 per thousand) is due to the high proportion of old people in the population.

Causes of death follow the expected pattern, with diseases of the heart and circulation and cancer predominating. Twenty-three deaths, more than a quarter of the total, were due to ischaemic heart disease and lung cancer, conditions known to be associated with cigarette smoking.

There were two deaths of infants under one year of age, and two stillbirths.

Sixty-eight cases of measles were notified during the year. The disease was of a mild nature and there were no deaths.

On housing, the Providence Place Re-development Scheme was well advanced by the end of the year. Building continued on the Grove Hill Estate and commenced on the Church Cliff Farm Estate.

The Town's water supply continued as in previous years and was satisfactory in quantity and quality. Sewage disposal continued as previously.

In presenting this report may I express my thanks to the staff of the Department for their work during the year and also to the Chairman and Members of the Health Committee for their constant interest and support.

I am,

Yours faithfully,

R. SCHOFIELD

Medical Officer of Health.

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area in acres	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,106
Population : 1968 Registrar General	.	...	...	...	...	...	...	5,140
Rateable Value	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	£320,258
Sum represented by a penny rate	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	£1,287
Estimated number of inhabited houses	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,572

VITAL STATISTICS

Live Births

Number	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	59
Crude Birth Rate	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	11.4
Adjusted Birth Rate : Comparability factor R.G.1.36								15.5

Illegitimate live births per cent of total live births. 6.8

Still Births

Number	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Rate per 1,000 total live and still births	,	...						32.8

Total live and still births ... 61

Infant deaths (deaths under one year) ... 2

Infant Mortality Rates

Total infant deaths per 1,000 total live births	..							33.9
Legitimate infant deaths per 1,000 legitimate live births	...							36.4
Illegitimate infant deaths per 1,000 illegitimate live births	...							-

Neo-natal Mortality Rate (deaths under 4 weeks per 1,000 total live births. 16.9

Early Neo-natal Mortality Rate (deaths under 1 week per 1,000 total live births 16.9

Perinatal Mortality Rate (still births and deaths under one week combined per 1,000 total live and still births 49.2

Maternal Mortality (including abortion)

Number of deaths	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	-
Rate per 1,000 total live and still births	.	...						-

Deaths

Number	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	87
Crude Death Rate	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	16.9
Adjusted Death Rate : Comparability factor R.G.0.71								12.0

Deaths from Pulmonary Tuberculosis .. -

Rate per 1,000 population ... -

Deaths from other forms of Tuberculosis ... -

Rate per 1,000 population ... -

Deaths from Respiratory Disease 9

Rate per 1,000 population ... 1.8

Deaths from Heart Disease ... 29

Rate per 1,000 population ... 5.6

Deaths from Cancer ... 23

Rate per 1,000 population ... 4.5



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PROVISIONAL STATISTICS - ENGLAND AND WALES

Births

Live Births	16.9	per 1,000 population
Still Births	...	...	...	...	14.0	per 1,000 total live and still births

Deaths

Death Rate	...	...	...	...	11.9	per 1,000 home population
Infant Mortality	...	...	...	...	18.0	per 1,000 live births



Causes of Death in Filey U.D. 1968 (R.G).

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>
All Causes	42	45
Meningococcal Infection	1	-
Cancer, Stomach	2	2
Cancer, Lung, Bronchus	4	-
Cancer, Breast	-	1
Cancer, Uterus	-	1
Leukaemia	-	1
Cancer, Other Sites	6	6
Diabetes Mellitus	1	1
Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	1	1
Hypertensive Disease	1	1
Ischaemic Heart Disease	10	9
Other forms of Heart Disease	1	5
Cerebrovascular Disease	6	6
Other Diseases of Circulatory System	2	3
Pneumonia	1	3
Bronchitis and Emphysema	1	2
Asthma	1	-
Other Diseases of Respiratory System	1	-
Appendicitis	-	2
Other Diseases of Digestive System	1	-
Other Diseases, Genito-Urinary System	1	-
Birth Injury, Difficult Labour, etc. . . .	1	-
All Other Accidents	-	1

<u>Year</u>	<u>No. of Births</u>	<u>No. of Deaths</u>	<u>Population</u>
1953	57	60	4,713
1954	57	61	4,790
1955	59	54	4,820
1956	50	71	4,840
1957	46	67	4,790
1958	64	61	4,780
1959	52	59	4,780
1960	57	67	4,800
1961	62	69	4,450
1962	53	69	4,490
1963	78	70	4,490
1964	56	81	4,580
1965	63	49	4,830
1966	87	78	5,060
1967	65	78	5,110
1968	59	87	5,140

INFANTILE DEATHS

Cause of Death	Under 1 week	1 to 2 weeks	2 to 3 weeks	3 to 4 weeks	Total under 4 weeks	1 to 3 months	3 to 6 months	6 to 9 months	9 to 12 months	Total deaths under 1 year
Pneumonia	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	1
Birth Injury, Difficult labour, etc	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1

INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED DURING 1968

Notifiable Disease	Under 1 year	1 - 4 years	5 - 14 years	15 - 24 years	25 - 44 years	Over 65 years	Age unknown	Total Deaths
Measles	0	32	35	0	0	1	0	0

INFECTIOUS DISEASES NOTIFIED 1958 - 1968

	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968
Dysentery °°° °°° °°° °°° °°°	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=
Encephalitis °° °°° °°° °°° °°°	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=
Erysipelas °°° °°° °°° °°° °°°	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=
Food Poisoning °°° °°° °°° °°° °°°	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=
Measles °°° °°° °°° °°° °°°	11	16	8	181	42	44	4	124	82	41	68
Meningococcal Infection °°° °°° °°° °°°	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=
Paratyphoid Fevers °° °°° °°° °°° °°°	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=
Pneumonia °°° °°° °°° °°° °°°	18	5	4	9	3	2	=	1	=	=	=
Polio myelitis (Paralytic) °° °°° °°° °°°	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=
Polio myelitis (Non-paralytic) °°° °°° °°°	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=	=
Scarlet Fever °° °°° °°° °°° °°°	=	=	3	=	=	=	=	=	1	=	=
Whooping Cough °°° °°° °°° °°° °°°	1	=	=	=	=	=	1	=	23	3	=

TUBERCULOSIS

The Register of Tuberculosis for the year is as follows:-

	<u>Pulmonary</u>		<u>Non- Pulmonary</u>		<u>Total</u>
	Males	Females	Males	Females	
Number of cases on the Register at 31st December, 1967	20	16	3	3	42
Added to the Register:-					
(a) cases notified for the first time during the year	-	-	-	-	-
(b) un-notified cases brought to notice otherwise than by formal notifications ...	-	-	-	-	-
Removed from the Register on account of death, change of address, etc.	-	-	-	-	-
Number of cases on the Register at 31st December, 1968	20	16	3	3	42

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA.

HOSPITAL SERVICES

There are no hospitals in Filey. Hospital facilities are available at Scarborough and Bridlington.

Miniature Mass Radiography.

The Miniature Mass Radiography Unit of the Leeds Regional Hospital Board visited the Station Avenue Car Park twice monthly from the 1st April, 1968. This is a Mobile Unit and attends on the second and fourth Tuesdays from 9.20.a.m. to 9.50.a.m. 420 persons were examined during 1968.

NURSING HOMES

There are no private Nursing Homes in the District.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948

Part III Accommodation

Accommodation is provided by the County Council at Burlington House, Bridlington; Danes Lea, Bridlington; 'The Limes', Driffield and the Wold House, Driffield.

Section 47

It was not necessary to take proceedings under this section during the year.

LOCAL HEALTH AUTHORITY SERVICES - NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE ACT, 1946.

The following services are provided in the District by the East Riding County Council as the Local Health Authority:

Infant Welfare Clinic

An Infant Welfare Clinic is held in the General Practitioners' Surgery, Station Road, on alternate Tuesdays from 2.00.p.m. to 4.00.p.m.

Domiciliary Midwifery Service

This service is run in conjunction with the Home Nursing Service. There is one District Nurse/Midwife residing and working in the District.

Health Visiting

One Health Visitor works in the Filey area, her office being situated in the Conference Hall (telephone number 2282).

Home Nursing Service

This service is run in conjunction with the Midwifery Service as indicated above.

Ambulance Service

The County Council's Ambulance Station is situated on Padbury Avenue, Filey (telephone Filey 2043).

Domestic Help

Home Help service which is rendered in the District is administered at County Hall, Beverley and all applications for the service are dealt with by the Home Help Organiser (telephone number 0482 881281).

LOCAL EDUCATION AUTHORITY - SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICE

Routine medical inspections are carried out of all children attending Local Education Authority schools in the District. Head inspections of children in the primary schools is undertaken by the school nurse at the beginning of each term.

Immunisation against diphtheria, tetanus and poliomyelitis and B.C.G. Vaccination is made available to children in school.

OTHER LOCAL AUTHORITY SERVICES

Buckrose Health Division Co-ordinating Committee.

Once every two or three months a co-ordinating Committee, under the aegis of the County Council, meets in Bridlington to co-ordinate the work of Officers in the District who are concerned with the welfare of children. The primary objects of the Committee are the prevention of cruelty to children in their own homes and the prevention of break-up of families.

On the Committee are representatives of the County Children's Department, the County Health Department, the School Welfare Department, the County Welfare Department, the Housing Managers of the District Councils, the Ministry of Social Security, the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, the Women's Royal Voluntary Service, Probation Officers, and a Marriage Guidance Counsellor. Representatives of other organisations are co-opted from time to time as the need arises. Your Medical Officer of Health in his capacity as Divisional Medical Officer takes the Chair of the Committee.

PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY

Specimens for bacteriological examination are sent to the Public Health Laboratory of the Medical Research Council at Hull.

VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS

Women's Royal Voluntary Service.

The W.R.V.S. undertakes the sale of welfare food for infants at the Conference Hall each Friday, 9.30.a.m. to 11.30.a.m. and also at each Infant Welfare Clinic.

They also administer a Meals on Wheels service, a Chiropody service, a Darby and Joan Club and at No. 19 Queen Street an Old Persons Centre.

NATIONAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO CHILDREN

Filey lies within the North East Yorkshire Branch of the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children and cases requiring the services of the Society were visited by Inspector White until he retired in August, 1968. Inspector Fitton, working from Scarborough, commenced duties in August/September, 1968, and his work is much appreciated by those of us in the area concerned with child welfare.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

GENERAL

Building continues on the Grove Hill Estate and during the year under review commenced on the Churn Cliff Farm Estate.

Almost 600 new homes have been built over the past few years and most of them are in modern estates which entail long carries for the men emptying the dustbins and this fact coupled to the ever increasing use of wrappings and packages for almost every commodity the public use or consume, means an ever increasing load to be borne by the Refuse Collection and Disposal Service. The Civic Amenities Act has made the task more onerous and quite apart from collecting the ever increasing amounts, the task of disposal becomes yearly more difficult. The output of Refuse from the Holiday and Caravan Camps has risen proportionately and particularly during the summer months disposal alone is quite a problem. It is with these problems in view that joint meetings have been and are still being held with Officials of neighbouring authorities in an endeavour to collect as much data and information as may be necessary to formulate and submit a composite report to each Authority for their consideration.

The Providence Place Re-development Scheme has progressed to such a stage that the portion including the Old Folks flats, the Warden's flat, the shops, the maisonettes and the Community Centre should be completed within a few months.

Very few complaints have been received from visitors either at the Holiday or Caravan Camps, or from those staying in apartments or boarding houses.

The general standard of cleanliness and hygiene at the food handling and preparation premises has been high and in the few cases where infringements were observed, informal action was sufficient to bring about an improvement.

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955.

(a) Milk Supplies - Brucella Abortus.

No samples were taken by this department for examination for Brucella Abortus. The Sampling Officer of the County Council takes regular samples and the Medical Officer of Health sends me copies of the results. When necessary visits have been paid to farms.

(b) The Regional Egg (Pasteurisation) Regulations, 1963.

There are no Egg Pasteurisation Plants within the area.

(c) Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960.

1. Cafes and Snack Bars

Number of Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	31
Number of Premises fitted to comply with Regulation 16	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	31
Number of Premises to which Regulation 19 applies	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	31
Number of Premises fitted to comply with Regulation 19	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	31

2. Hotel Restaurants

Number of Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Number of Premises fitted to comply with Regulation 16	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Number of Premises to which Regulation 19 applies	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Number of Premises fitted to comply with Regulation 19	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5

3. Licensed Premises

Number of Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17
Number of Premises fitted to comply with Regulation 16	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17
Number of Premises to which Regulation 19 applies	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17
Number of Premises fitted to comply with Regulation 19	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17

4. Private Hotels

Number of Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Number of Premises fitted to comply with Regulation 16	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Number of Premises to which Regulation 19 applies	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Number of Premises fitted to comply with Regulation 19	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5

5. Grocers

Number of Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	22
Number of Premises fitted to comply with Regulation 16	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	22
Number of Premises to which Regulation 19 applies	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	22
Number of Premises fitted to comply with Regulation 19	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	22

6. Greengrocers or Fruit

Number of Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10
Number of Premises fitted to comply with Regulation 16	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10
Number of Premises to which Regulation 19 applies	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
Number of Premises fitted to comply with Regulation 19	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7

7. Fresh Fish

Number of Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Number of Premises fitted to comply with Regulation 16	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Number of Premises to which Regulation 19 applies	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Number of Premises fitted to comply with Regulation 19	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6

8. Fried Fish

Number of Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Number of Premises fitted to comply with Regulation 16	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Number of Premises to which Regulation 19 applies	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Number of Premises fitted to comply with Regulation 19	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6

9. Bakers and Confectioners

Number of Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Number of Premises fitted to comply with Regulation 16	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Number of Premises to which Regulation 19 applies	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Number of Premises fitted to comply with Regulation 19	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4

10. Butchers

Number of Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Number of Premises fitted to comply with Regulation 16	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Number of Premises to which Regulation 19 applies	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Number of Premises fitted to comply with Regulation 19	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8

11. Sweets and Ice Cream Shops

Number of Premises	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	21
Number of Premises fitted to comply with Regulation 16	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	21
Number of Premises to which Regulation 19 applies	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14
Number of Premises fitted to comply with Regulation 19	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14

PRESERVED FOOD - REGISTERED PREMISES

8 premises are registered in the district, and 40 visits were made. The standard was found to be satisfactory.

ICE CREAM (HEAT TREATMENT ETC) REGULATIONS

45 premises are registered under the Food and Drugs Act, for the sale of Ice Cream. At the majority pre-packed Ice Cream is sold from cabinets, but there are a number of 'soft' Ice Cream machines and one establishment manufactures its own Ice Cream using heat treatment in accordance with the Regulations. Fourteen samples were submitted to the Public Analyst with the following results:-

<u>Grade 1</u>	<u>Grade 2</u>	<u>Grade 3</u>	<u>Grade 4</u>
10	1	2	1

MILK SUPPLIES

The Registration of Milk Dealers and Producers is carried out by the County Council who inform us of any additions or deletions from the list. One Dairy operates in the district which maintains a constant high level of cleanliness and efficiency. Ten samples of milk were taken and all proved to be satisfactory.

UN SOUND FOOD - FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955.

The following is a list of the unsound food excluding meat from the slaughterhouses, surrendered and disposed of by the Local Authority.-

<u>Food</u>	<u>Weight</u>	
	<u>Cwts.</u>	<u>Lbs.</u>
Cooked meat and meat products		10
Canned meats		83
Canned fish		1
Canned fruit		50
Canned vegetables		14
	1	49

SLAUGHTERHOUSES

There are two licensed slaughterhouses in the district of which one is licensed for the slaughter of sheep and pigs only. No slaughtering took place in one slaughterhouse and sheep only were slaughtered in the other. The premises were conducted in a satisfactory manner throughout the year.

MEAT INSPECTION

All carcasses slaughtered at the slaughterhouses have been inspected and stamped in accordance with the Meat Inspection Regulations, 1963. The quality of the animals slaughtered has been consistently good.

The bulk of the meat sold within the district is principally slaughtered at Driffild or the Abattoir at Seamer.

Carcasses and Offal Inspected and Condemned in whole or in part

	<u>Cattle excluding Cows</u>	<u>Cows</u>	<u>Calves</u>	<u>Sheep and Lamb;</u>	<u>Pigs</u>
Number killed	nil	nil	nil	396	nil
Number not inspected	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil

	<u>Cattle</u> <u>excluding</u> <u>Cows</u>	<u>Cows</u>	<u>Calves</u>	<u>Sheep</u> <u>and</u> <u>Lambs</u>	<u>Pigs</u>
<u>All Diseases except</u> <u>Tuberculosis and</u> <u>Cysticerci</u>					
Whole carcasses condemned	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	nil	nil	nil	5	nil
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis and Cysticerci	nil	nil	nil	1.23	nil
<u>Tuberculosis only</u>					
Whole carcasses condemned	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil
<u>Cysticerci</u>					
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil
Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil
Generalised and totally condemned	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil

Meat at Slaughterhouses surrendered or condemned - 18 lbs.

WATER SUPPLY

The Urban supply forms part of the East Yorkshire (Wolds Area) Water Board. The water was always satisfactory both as regards quality and quantity. Regular bacteriological samples were submitted to the Public Health Laboratory and all conformed to Class 1, Ministry of Health Classification.

The following is a recent chemical analysis of the water:-

	parts per million
pH value 7.5	
Free carbon dioxide	7.5
Free ammonia as N	0.400
Albumenoid ammonia as N	0.007
Nitrogen as nitrates	nil
Nitrogen as nitrites	nil
Chlorides as Cl	60.0
Alkalinity as CaCO ₃	260.0
Permanganate figure (N/80 - 4 hours)	0.220
Total solids	392.0
Calcium as Ca	60.0
Magnesium as Mg	21.0
Sodium as Na	66.0
Carbonates as CO ₃	156.0
Sulphates as SO ₄	41.0
Nitrates as NO ₃	nil
Iron as Fe	0.20
Total hardness (pts. CaCO ₃ per 100,000)	23.8
<u>Treated Sample:-</u>	
Free carbon dioxide	5.0

SWIMMING POOLS

The swimming pools at Butlin's Camp and Primrose Valley Estates received periodic visits during which the changing accommodation and the filtration plant were inspected. Samples of water were submitted to the Public Analyst for Bacteriological Examination.

CARAVAN SITES AND CONTROL OF DEVELOPMENT ACT, 1961

There are three licensed holiday caravan sites within the area with a total of 1,635 caravans. In addition to the licensed sites the Caravan Club operate a site. Frequent visits have been made and on the whole the camps have been operated in a satisfactory manner throughout the year.

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949

Properties other than Sewers	<u>Non</u> <u>Agricultural</u>	<u>Agricultural</u>
1. Number of properties in district	3,099	10
2. a) Total number of properties (including nearby premises) inspected following notification	68	7
b) Number infested by (i) Rats (ii) Mice	58 10	1 -
3. a) Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons other than notification	35 35	=
b) Number infested by (i) Rats (ii) Mice	35 4	= =

Test baits were laid in several sewers but no evidence of infestation was discovered. The Refuse Tip and other possible breeding places were regularly inspected and baited.

HOUSING STATISTICS

1. Total number of houses inspected for housing defects (under Public Health and Housing Acts)	25
Number of inspections and re-visits	59
2. Remedy of defects without service of formal notice:- Number of defective dwelling houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by Local Authority or their Officers	9
3. Action under Statutory powers during the year (Proceedings under Housing Acts, 1936 and 1957)	
(a) number of dwellings in respect of which Notices were served requiring defects to be remedied.	nil
(b) number of houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notice	
(i) by Owners	nil
(ii) by Local Authority	nil

4. (a) Number of houses subject to Closing Orders	nil
(b) Number of houses closed by Owners	nil
(c) Number of houses demolished by owners	2
(d) Number of families rehoused	1
(e) Number of persons involved in (d) above	1

FACTORIES ACT, 1961.

1. INSPECTIONS for purposes of provisions as to health:-

Premises (1)	Number on Register (2)	Number of		
		Inspections (3)	Written notices (4)	Occupiers prosecuted (5)
i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities	6	6	nil	nil
ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	26	12	nil	nil
iii) Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises)	5	3	nil	nil
Total	37	21	nil	nil

2. Cases in which DEFECTS were found:-

Particulars (1)	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted (6)
	Found (2)	Remedied (3)	Referred To H.M. Inspector (4)	By H.M. Inspector (5)	
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil
Overcrowding (S.2)	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)					
(a) Insufficient	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil
(b) Unsuitable or defective	2	2	nil	2	nil
(c) Not separate for sexes	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork)	nil	nil	nil	nil	nil
Total	2	2	nil	2	nil

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1962.a) Registrations and General Inspections

Class of Premises	Number of premises registered during the year	Number of registered premises at end of year	Number of registered premises receiving a general inspection
Offices	nil	3	nil
Retail Shops	2	101	2
Wholesale Shops and Warehouses	nil	6	nil
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens	4	22	4
Fuel storage depots	nil	nil	nil
Total	6	165	6
Total number of visits of all kinds by Inspectors to registered premises under the Act	97		

b) Analysis of Contraventions

Section	Number of Contraventions found		Section	Number of Contraventions found	
4	Cleanliness	nil	13	Sitting facilities	1
5	Overcrowding	nil	14	Seats (sedentary workers)	nil
6	Temperature	1	15	Eating facilities	nil
7	Ventilation	1	16	Floors, passages, stairs	nil
8	Lighting	5	17	Fencing exposed parts machinery	nil
9	Sanitary conveniences	nil	18	Protection of young persons working at dangerous machinery	nil
10	Washing facilities	1	19	Training of young persons working at dangerous machinery	nil
11	Supply of drinking water	nil	23	Prohibition of heavy work	nil
12	Clothing accommodation	nil	24	First aid general provision	7

REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

Throughout the main part of the year, two side load freighters and six men which include the two drivers, are employed on the collection of refuse, but during the summer period the regular teams are augmented by an additional freighter and two men who are employed mainly on holiday camp collection but also assist in collecting the ever increasing amount of town refuse. There appears to be no limit to the volume explosion of ordinary refuse which shows quite an appreciable increase each year and when this is coupled to the ever increasing amounts of old furniture, carpets, etc., which again is likely to increase with the planned obsolescence of this age, the effect on the total costs of collection and disposal must be considerable.

Apart from the financial angle, the manpower problem remains. In common with most holiday resorts there is a terrific increase in the amount to be collected and disposed of during the summer months, and refuse collection is not the type of work that casual or seasonal workers will undertake readily. If we were staffed to meet the holiday period demand, then we should be over-staffed in winter. The problem thus remains of deploying the staff available to the best advantage and it is to the credit of the men and the department that so few complaints are received during the year.

One man and an excavator are employed full time at the tip where controlled tipping is the method of disposal. Practically all the covering material we can obtain is clay apart from a small amount of builders waste and the tip surface during wet weather resembles a very wet ploughed field. The surface is so well sealed by the clay that it is impermeable and water stands on top and cannot get through to the tipped material which would absorb it. Regular dustings with insecticide control fly and other insect breeding and regular visits and baiting by the Rodent Operator keeps down the rat population.

VISITS AND INSPECTIONS

Housing - Public Health and Housing Acts	...	...	...	...	54
Local Authority properties	...	...	...	...	292
Complaints received and investigated	...	...	...	...	210
Slaughterhouses	...	...	...	...	101
Dairies	...	...	...	...	10
Grocers, Fruiterers, etc.	...	...	...	...	28
Butchers shops	...	...	...	...	40
Holiday and Caravan Camps	...	...	...	...	53
School Canteens	...	...	...	...	2
Bakehouses	...	...	...	...	8
Cafe and Hotels	...	...	...	...	12
Fish Shops	...	...	...	...	6
Ice Cream Premises	...	...	...	...	16
Cinemas	...	...	...	...	2
Snack Bars	...	...	...	...	12
Public Conveniences	...	...	...	...	70
Seasonal Stalls	...	...	...	...	22
Drains inspected and tested	...	...	...	...	94
Drainage systems amended or renewed	...	...	...	...	47
Blocked drains cleared	...	...	...	...	53
Wasp nests destroyed	...	...	...	...	48
Notices served - Informal	...	...	...	...	16
Formal	...	...	...	...	nil
Notices outstanding end of 1967	nil
Notices complied with - Informal	16
Formal	nil

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